

called at the Executive office, but did not find the Governor in.

On motion of Mr. Yancey the minutes of the joint session held this day were read.

The Journal of the Senate and House in joint session were read and corrected.

Mr. Yancey moved that the joint session do now adjourn;
Which was agreed to.

The joint session thereupon adjourned, whereupon the Senate returned to its chamber.

1:20 O'CLOCK.

At 1:20 o'clock the Senate returned to its chamber.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Yeas—Mr. President, Messrs. Bryant, Calhoun, Coulter, Crosby, Pirrong, Rosborough, Smith of 30th, Swearingen, Wadsworth and Wolfe—11.

No quorum present.

On motion of Mr. Wolfe, the Senate adjourned until 10 o'clock Wednesday morning, May 27, 1891.

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WEDNESDAY, May 27, 1891.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Broome, Bryant, Calhoun, Coulter, Crosby, Pirrong, Rosborough, Smith of 30th, Summers, Swearingen, Thomas, Wadsworth, Wolfe and Yancey—15.

No quorum present.

The President directed the members present to rise for prayer.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Yancey moved that the Senate take a recess until 11 o'clock;

Which was agreed to and the Senate took a recess until that hour.

11 O'CLOCK A. M.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Broome, Bryant, Calhoun, Coulter, Crosby, Pirrong, Rosborough, Smith of 30th, Summers, Swearingen, Thomas, Wadsworth, Wolfe and Yancey—15.

No quorum present.

Mr. Wolfe offered the following resolution:

Pending the reading of which—

The Chair inquired the nature of the resolution, ruling that no motion could be made except to adjourn or to compel the attendance of absent Senators in the absence of a quorum.

Mr. Wolfe stated the resolution referred to compelling the attendance of absent members.

Whereupon the Chair ruled that the resolution was in order, and the Senate proceeded to read the same, as follows:

WHEREAS, There was no quorum of the Senate present on yesterday, the 26th of May, and the roll call of the day discloses the absence of a quorum, and

WHEREAS, This deplorable state of affairs has been caused by the fact that the following named members of the Senate, to-wit:

Messrs. Baya, Borden, Bristol, Brett, Drake, Farmer, Hammond, Johnson, King, Kirk, McKinne, Myers, Rogers, Smith of 31st, Wall and Wilkinson,

Have wilfully absented and continue to absent themselves without leave of this body from its daily sessions, for reasons unknown to this body, and

WHEREAS, the absence of the Senators named, if persisted in will inevitably lead to the blocking of all legislation during the very few days of life now remaining to the Legislature, which will bring disaster upon the State by reason of the large number of important bills remaining undisposed of upon the calendar of the Senate and House of Representatives, and

WHEREAS, the failure of these measures in the Legislature will necessitate the calling of an extra session of the Legislature at great expense to the State; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate be instructed to compel the attendance of said absent Senators, employing such assistance and incurring such expense as may be necessary for that purpose.

Resolved further, That if said absentees, or any of them, are placed under arrest by said Sergeant-at-Arms during any recess of the Senate that he is authorized and commanded

to keep them safely under arrest until such time as he can bring them before the bar of the Senate to answer for their wilful and unauthorized absence.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the resolution be adopted;

Which was agreed to and the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Swearingen moved that the resolution be spread upon the Journal;

Which was agreed to and so ordered.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the Senate take a recess until 5 minutes before 12 o'clock;

Which was agreed to and the Senate took a recess until that time.

FIVE MINUTES BEFORE 12 O'CLOCK.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Broome, Bryant, Coulter, Crosby, Pirrong, Rosborough, Smith of 30th, Summers, Swearingen, Thomas, Wadsworth, Wolfe and Yancey—14.

No quorum present.

AT 12:07 O'CLOCK.

Mr. Yancey moved that the Senate take a recess until 5 o'clock;

Which was agreed to and the Senate took a recess until that hour.

5 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Senate met and was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Broome, Bryant, Coulter, Crosby, Rosborough, Smith of 30th, Summers, Swearingen, Wadsworth, Wolfe and Yancey—12.

No quorum present.

Mr. Summers moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock Thursday morning, May 28, 1891.

THURSDAY, May 28, 1891.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment.

The President in the chair.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Broome, Bryant, Calhoun, Coulter, Crosby, Pirrong, Rosborough, Smith of 30th, Summers, Swearingen, Thomas, Wadsworth, Wolfe and Yancey—15.

No quorum present.

The President directed the members present to rise for prayer.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Mr. Yancey moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning;

Which was not agreed to and the Senate refused to adjourn to that time.

Mr. Broome moved to adjourn until 3 o'clock to-day;

Which was not agreed to and the Senate refused to adjourn until that hour.

Mr. Wolfe moved that the Senate adjourn until 5 minutes before 12 o'clock;

Which was not agreed to and the Senate refused to adjourn until that hour.

On motion of Mr. Bryant, Lonnie Hough, one of the Senate pages, was excused for the day on account of sickness.

Mr. Yancey renewed his motion to adjourn until 10 o'clock to-morrow morning;

Which was not agreed to and the Senate refused to adjourn to that time.

Mr. Broome moved that the Senate take a recess until 12 o'clock;

Which was agreed to and the Senate took a recess until that hour.

12 O'CLOCK M.

The Senate was called to order by the President.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Messrs. Broome, Bryant, Calhoun, Coulter, Pirrong, Rosborough, Smith of 30th, Swearingen, Wadsworth, Wolfe and Yancey—12.

No quorum present.